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In re patent  
appln. of: Thomas Welsh et al.  
Serial No.: 09/935,926  
Filed: August 23, 2001  
For: LINEAR COMPRESSION LATCH  
Atty. Dkt.: 195-01

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find the following documents for filing in the United States


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1. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) (Large Entity);
2. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated September 27, 2001;
3. Three executed Declaration and Power of Attorney forms (4 pages each);
4. Check in the amount of \$130 in payment of declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) (fee code 105);
5. Petition for a two-month extension of time for response;
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Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application  
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Docket No.  
195-01

In Re Application Of: Thomas Welsh et al.

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Group Art Unit  
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Invention: Linear Compression Latch

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This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on  
September 27, 2001  
Date

Enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). (REQUIRED)
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☒ *Three* An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ Other (list):

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Invention: **Linear Compression Latch**

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☒ **Completion of application fees as calculated below:**

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the above-identified Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired). If an additional time extension is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☐ **One month**      ☒ **Two months**      ☐ **Three months**      ☐ **Four months**      ☐ **Five months**

from: November 27, 2001      until: January 27, 2002  
Date      Date

**Total time extension fees**      **\$400.00**

**Total fees due**      **\$530.00**

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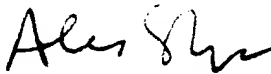
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The fee of **\$530.00** is to be paid as follows:

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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **16-0750**  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **16-0750**  
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**Dated: January 15, 2002**

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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